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Faculty members are highly qualified both academically and professionally, and have varied and extensive experience in ecumenical and interreligious dialogue. All permanent faculty members possess doctorates in Sacred Theology and an impressive list of scholarly publications. Some of the faculty have held positions, either full-time or as consultants, in the Vatican offices concerned with ecumenism and interfaith relations. Courses and seminars are taught in English.

The University has four Faculties: Theology, Philosophy, Canon Law and Social Sciences. Russell Berrie Fellows will study within the Ecumenical section of the Faculty of Theology. The student body consists of men and women (clergy, religious and lay) from many nations, and includes Latin and Eastern Catholics, Orthodox Christians, Anglicans, Protestants, and occasionally,

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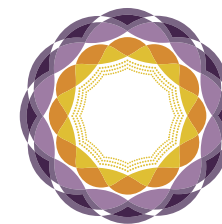
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## Russell Berrie Fellowship in Interreligious Studies



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## About the Fellowship

The Russell Berrie Foundation is pleased to announce the eighth cycle of applications for post-graduate fellowships for studies at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, the "Angelicum." The goal of the Fellowship Program is to build bridges between Christian, Jewish and other religious traditions by providing the next generation of religious leaders with a comprehensive understanding of and dedication to interfaith issues. Russell Berrie Fellows are expected to complete their studies and return home to their parishes and communities to lead others in efforts to promote interfaith understanding.

The Fellowship, granted for one year, targets priests and members of the lay community to allow them to study at the Angelicum either for a Diploma in Interreligious Studies or a Licence degree.

Applicants from around the world and of different faiths who have a demonstrated interest in Interreligious Studies are encouraged to apply.

## What does the Fellowship offer?

The award will provide financial support to Russell Berrie Fellows to complete one year of study at the Angelicum. It is intended to cover tuition, a modest living stipend, book allowance, examination fees, and travel to and from the recipient's home country.

During their studies, the Fellows also participate in a field trip to Israel and a number of other related short term programs, all conducted through the John Paul II Center for Interreligious Dialogue at the Angelicum. More on the Center can be found at [www.jp2center.org](http://www.jp2center.org).

## Who is Eligible?

In order to apply for the Russell Berrie Fellowship, candidates must be eligible to gain admission to the Angelicum. Applicants planning to pursue their first year of the licence degree are eligible if they submit a written commitment from their Bishop, or Appropriate Religious Superior that they will receive support in the second year of their studies. Current first year licence students are eligible to apply for the second year of their studies at the Angelicum. Applicants planning to pursue a Diploma in Interreligious Studies (one-year program) are also eligible to apply. For more information on admission criteria and eligibility requirements, please visit the program website at [www.iie.eu/berrie](http://www.iie.eu/berrie) or write to [berrie@iie.eu](mailto:berrie@iie.eu).

*Only applicants who meet the admission criteria and eligibility requirements will be considered for the Fellowship.*

## How to Apply

Program information and application material can be found and downloaded from [www.iie.eu/berrie](http://www.iie.eu/berrie).

**Application deadline: March 20, 2015.**

## About the Russell Berrie Foundation

The Russell Berrie Foundation was established in 1985 by Russell Berrie, an American entrepreneur and philanthropist. An important goal of the Berrie Foundation is to help build a pluralistic world where people of all faiths can co-exist peacefully. The Center for Interreligious Understanding, which Russell Berrie founded with Rabbi Jack Bemporad, seeks to build bridges between different faiths through dialogue. The mission of the Russell Berrie Foundation expresses the personal passions and interests of a philanthropist committed to health issues like diabetes and humanism in medicine, Jewish continuity, salesmanship as a profession, interreligious understanding, honoring New Jersey's unsung heroes, and strengthening communities in northern New Jersey.

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## About Studying at the Angelicum

The Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, commonly known as the "Angelicum," is the Dominican university of Rome and one of the major pontifical universities in the city. Staffed and administered by members of the Order of Preachers, it serves as a focus for the Dominican theological and philosophical tradition among the Roman pontifical universities.

The Angelicum offers training in the specialties of ecumenism and interreligious dialogue. This pro-